

# Redundant Email Address Detection And Capture System

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## ABSTRACT

10 A mechanism for automatically detecting such unwanted messages in real  
time, which is referred to herein as the Redundant Email Address Detection  
And Capture System (READACS) is disclosed. The READACS program  
assumes that incoming mail files have been written to disk in a file format that  
is somewhat consistent and/or predictable by the programmer. The task of  
15 READACS is to identify those email message files, locate an address-of-origin  
within those files, identify whether the email message should be considered  
spam, separate spam and non-spam email messages logically, and physically  
move or rename (or both) those email messages as desired by the  
programmer.